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TITLE: FORMING MOLD FOR A LENS SHEET AND METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING SAME

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AMENDED CLAIMS

1-16. (cancelled)

17. (withdrawn) A method for manufacturing a forming mold for a lens sheet, comprising the steps of: cutting four sides of a blank body having a basic plane in a direction perpendicular to said basic plane to prepare a mold body having on a periphery thereof four perpendicular side surfaces; and securing a receiving member on at least one of said four perpendicular side surfaces of said mold body to prepare a mold unit, said one of said four perpendicular side surfaces being located on a pressing-finishing side.

18. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein: said mold body comprises a molding plate and a supporting plate on which said molding plate is adhered.

19. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 17, further comprising: subjecting said mold unit to a cutting work to form a downward inclined upper surface in a direction from said mold body to said receiving member at a connection portion of said mold body and said receiving member.

20. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 18, further comprising:

subjecting said mold unit to a cutting work to form a downward inclined upper surface in a direction from said mold body to said receiving member at a connection portion of said mold body and said receiving member.

21. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 17, further comprising: applying filler in a gap between said mold body and said receiving member prior to said securing of said receiving member.

22. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 18, further comprising: applying filler in a gap between said mold body and said receiving member prior to said securing of said receiving member.

23. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 19, further comprising: applying filler in a gap between said mold body and said receiving member prior to said securing of said receiving member.

24. (withdrawn) The method as claimed in claim 20, further comprising: applying filler in a gap between said mold body and said receiving member prior to said securing of said receiving member.

25. (new) A forming mold for a lens sheet, which is to be used for molding ionizing radiation curing type resin into the lens sheet by applying said resin in a form of liquid on an upper surface of said forming mold, placing a substrate on said resin and pressing said substrate and said resin against said forming mold from a pressing-starting side of said forming mold to a pressing-finishing side thereof by means of a pressing roller, comprising:

a mold body; and

a receiving member for receiving a superfluous amount of the ionizing radiation curing type resin, said receiving member being provided on at least said pressing-finishing side of a periphery of said mold body,

a gap between said mold body and said receiving member is filled with filler, and said mold body having a portion, which comes into contact with said receiving member, said portion having a downward inclined upper surface in a direction from said mold body to said receiving member.

26. (new) The forming mold as claimed in Claim 25, wherein:

said receiving member has a portion, which comes into contact with said mold body, said portion having a downward inclined upper surface in a direction from said mold body to said receiving member.